

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 2478

March 12, 2014

SUMMARY OF BILL: Provides that if a person is charged with driving on an expired license plate and the charge is dismissed, the public records of the charges are expunged automatically without the person petitioning; reduces driving on a license plate that is expired for less than 30 days from Class C misdemeanor to a warning, and the person shall be informed of the requirements of maintaining a current license plate and advised of the provisions of this bill.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Revenues - Exceeds \$100,000/FY14-15

Decrease Local Revenues - Exceeds \$100,000/FY14-15

Assumptions:

- According to information provided by the Department of Revenue (DOR), this bill is likely to lead to an unknown percentage of the population routinely renewing their license plates approximately one month late. Fees on vehicles with June renewals, which are renewed in the proposed 30-day grace period, will be counted in the next fiscal year. This action is considered cyclical; therefore, the fiscal impact will be a one-time decrease in state and local registration fee revenue in the first year, or in FY14-15.
- DOR indicates state registration renewal revenue to average approximately \$14,800,000 per month. It is not known what percentage of June renewals will be delayed into the first month of FY15-16; but such one-time decrease in state revenue is reasonably estimated to exceed \$100,000.
- Local registration renewal revenue is estimated to average approximately \$13,900,000 per month. It is not known what percentage of June renewals will be delayed into the first month of FY15-16, but such one-time decrease in local revenue is reasonably estimated to exceed \$100,000.
- According to the Department of Safety, this bill's fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.

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CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lucian" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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